

Nov 20, 1789

New Jersey became the 1st
state to ratify the Bill of Rights.

Nov 21, 1789

North Carolina became the 12th
state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

Jan 23, 1789

Bengetown Over. was established
in present-day Washington, D.C.

Nov 13, 1789

Benjamin Franklin wrote in a letter to a friend, "In this world, nothing can be said to be certain except death and Taxes."

Sept 26, 1789

Thoms Jefferson was appointed
first Sec. of state.

Sept 25, 1789

The first Congress adopted 12
amendments to the Constitution
and sent them to the states
for ratification (ten of the amendments
became the Bill of Rights).

Sept 11, 1789

Alexander Hamilton was appointed
the first U.S. Secretary of the
Treasury.

Sept. 15, 1789

The U. S. Dept. of Foreign Affairs
was renamed the Dept of State.

Aug 7, 1789

The U. S. War Dept, was established
by Congress.

Sept 2, 1789

the U.S. Treasury Dept was
established

Apr 23, 1789

President-Elect Washington & his wife moved into the first executive mansion, the Franklin House, in New York

Apr 1, 1789

The U.S. House of Representatives
held its first full meetings in New York
City. Frederick Muhlenberg of
Pennsylvania was elected
the first House Speaker.

May 7, 1789

The first inaugural ball was
held in New York in honor
of Pres & Mrs. George Washington.